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SUBJECT: APRIL VISIT OF UAW PRESIDENT LEONARD WOODCOCK

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1. APPOINTMENTS REFERRED TO BY REBHAN CONCERN POSSIBLE
MEETINGS WITH THE KING AND PRIME MINISTER SUAREX DURING
WOODCOCK'S VISIT TO SPAIN APRIL 6-10 (REF B) IN TELCON WITH
REBHAN MARCH 23 BEFORE HIS DEPARTURE FOR U.S. LABATT GAVE
HIM STATUS REPORT WHICH (A REITERATED DIFFICULTY ARRANGING
ANY MEETINGS DURING SEMANA SANTA (EASTER WEEK APRIL 7-10
BEING OFFICIAL HOLIDAYS, B) HOWEVER SAID WE WOULD DO OUR BEST
POINTED
OUT THAT IT WOULD DO LITTLE GOOD TO CONTACT PALACE UNTIL THE KING'S

RETURN FROM HIS MIDDLE EAST TRIP THE WEEKEND OF MARCH 26-27

2. FOLLOWING IS LATEST UPDATE RE EMBASSY EFFORTS, SUAREZ CHIEF OF PROTOCOL HAS OUR APPROACH REGARDING AN APPOINTMENT UNDER CONSIDERATION, BUT HAS TOLD THE CHARGE THAT THE PRIME MINISTERS STAFF IS TRYING TO CONVINCE HIM THAT HE SHOULD TAKE EASTER WEEK OF FOR A MUCH NEEDED REST. IT IS WELL KNOWN THAT HE

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HAS BEEN GOING FULL SPEED WITH MINIMUM REST FOR MONTHS TO A DEGREE THAT HAS CAUSED CONCERN OVER HIS HEALTH. WE APPROACHED THE KING'S OFFICE MARCH 28, BUT NO REPONSE AS YET. EMBASSY WILL REPORT FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS BY PRIORITY MESSAGE.EATON

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